

**REPORT OF THE ACCOUNTABILITY REVIEW BOARDS
CHAIRIED BY ADMIRAL WILLIAM CROWE:
BOMBINGS OF THE US EMBASSIES IN
NAIROBI, KENYA, AND DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA,
ON AUGUST 7, 1998**

According to physical evidence and reports from persons on the scene just prior to the bombing, on the morning of Friday, August 7, 1998, a truck laden with explosives drove up Laibon Road to one of the two vehicular gates of the US Embassy in Dar es Salaam. Apparently unable to penetrate the perimeter because it was blocked by an embassy water tanker, the suicide bomber detonated his charge at 10:39 a.m. at a distance of about 35 feet from the outer wall of the chancery.

The bomb attack killed eleven people; one other is missing and presumed dead. Another 85 people were injured. No Americans were among the fatalities, but many were injured, two of them seriously. The chancery suffered major structural damage and was rendered unusable, but it did not collapse. No one inside the chancery was killed, in part due to the strength of the structure and in part to simple luck. A number of third-country diplomatic facilities and residences in the immediate vicinity were severely damaged, and several American Embassy residences were destroyed, as were dozens of vehicles. The American Ambassador's residence, a thousand yards distant and vacant at the time, suffered roof damage and collapsed ceilings.

At the time of the attack, two contract local guards were on duty inside a perimeter guard booth, while two others were in the pedestrian entrance screening area behind the booth and another was in the open area behind the water truck. All five were killed in the blast. The force of the blast propelled the filled water tanker over three stories into the air. It came to rest against the chancery building, having absorbed some of the shock wave that otherwise would have hit the chancery with even greater force.

The driver of the water tanker was killed, but his assistant, seen in the area shortly before the explosion, is missing without trace and presumed dead.

The US Embassy in Dar es Salaam moved into the former Israeli Embassy compound in May, 1980. The embassy was located at 36 Laibon Road and consisted of a three-story Chancery, originally built as the Israeli Chancery in the early 1970's, and a four-story Annex, added in 1980. Both buildings were located in an enclosed compound. The construction of both the Chancery and Annex was of reinforced concrete beam and post configuration. The floors and ceilings were of concrete slab design and the exterior and partition wall areas of concrete block. Ground floor windows in the Chancery were minimal, possibly designed to limit potential bomb damage.

We must continue to lead the world toward peace, freedom, and prosperity. That is why our diplomats are on the job today around the world -- working to ensure our national security, working to strengthen the global economy, working to bring peace to troubled regions, working often at risk to themselves. And that is why we now must work to rebuild our embassies in Nairobi and Dar es Salaam, to secure our embassies and outposts around the world, to support our friends in Tanzania and Kenya as they rebuild.

President Clinton
Radio Address to the Nation
August 15, 1998

I pledge to do all I can as Secretary of State to remind the American people of the importance of the work that you do day in and day out on their behalf, and to remind them as well of the hardships and dangers. You are America's best; and you who are Foreign Service Nationals work side by side with us for a world that is more peaceful, prosperous, lawful and free.

Secretary Albright
August 18, 1998

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



DEDICATION AND HANDING OVER

UTALII HOUSE

AUGUST 7, 2002



UTALII HOUSE

Employer: United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
Owner: Tanzania Tourist Board (TTB)
Employer's Representative: Claus Bremer Associates (CBA)
Design-Build Contractor: DB Shapriya & Co Ltd (DBS)
Architect and Lead Consultants: Inter-Consult Ltd (ICL)
Construction managed on behalf of USAID by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

U.S. Response to the 1998 Bombing

In response to the August 7, 1998, terrorist attack on the American Embassy, the U.S. Congress authorized a special humanitarian assistance program of \$9,231,000 to alleviate the suffering of the bomb victims and strengthen the capacity of organizations to respond to future disasters.

In Tanzania, sixty-four individuals and one small business received approximately \$184,000 in humanitarian support, including payment of funeral expenses, hospital bills and school fees, purchase of medicines, school uniforms, books and clothing, and reimbursement for personal property such as cooking pots, bicycles, electrical appliances, and automobiles that were destroyed or damaged in the bombing.

In addition, twelve private homeowners and 13 parastatals received \$208,000 for the cost of repairs to their damaged properties. To this was added the construction of Utalii House and three new residences to replace properties that were destroyed by the bombing.

Program

Welcome.....*Stafford Baker*
Acting Director, USAID/Tanzania

Raising of the Colors.....
Representatives of the American Embassy
Mboge Zephania, Henry Kessy, Mohamed Mganga

The National Anthems...*American Embassy Choir*

Remarks.....*Robert V. Royall*
Ambassador of the United States of America

Becoming a Bombed-Out Person....*Clifford Tarimo*
Supply Clerk

Rebirth.....*Justina Mdobilu*
Political Affairs Assistant

Rise Above and Move Beyond.....*Nafisa Malik*
Consular Affairs Assistant

Introduction of the Minister..*Hon. Fatma Said Ali, MP*
Chairperson, Tanzania Tourist Board

Remarks.....*Hon. Zakia Meghji, MP*
Minister of Natural Resources & Tourism

Mungu Awe Nanyi Daima
God Be With You Till We Meet Again
.....*American Embassy Choir*

Cutting of Ribbon/Unveiling of Commemorative
Plaques.....*Min. Meghji & Amb. Royall*

Refreshments/Tour of Building

Special Guest: Mr. Emmanuel Mdobilu
Born 9-23-98

SECRETARY OF STATE MADELEINE K. ALBRIGHT REMARKS ON REPORT OF THE ACCOUNTABILITY REVIEW BOARDS ON THE EMBASSY BOMBINGS IN NAIROBI AND DAR ES SALAAM WASHINGTON, D.C., JANUARY 8, 1999

Last August 7, terrorist bombs exploded near our Embassies in Nairobi and Dar es Salaam, killing 220 persons and injuring more than 4,000 -- many of whom were simply bystanders.

Among the dead were 12 American and 40 Kenyan and Tanzanian US Embassy employees and family members. We grieve for all the victims and we have not, and will never, cease to mourn the loss of our loved ones, colleagues and friends.

Killed in Dar es Salaam

Abdulrahman Abdalla
Hassan Saidi Harane
Ramadhani H. Mahundi
Abdallah Mohammed Mnyolya
Abbas William Mwila
Aimosaria Yusuf Mzee
Rogath Saidi Nanguku
Yusuf Shamte Ndange
Bakari Yusuf Nyumbu
Elia Elisha Paul
Mtendeje Rajabu
Dotto Lukua Ramadhani

Severely Injured

Eddieson Kapesa
Henry Kessy
Rajabu Kibwana
Cynthia Kimble
Evita Kwimbere
Nafisa Malik
Perpetua Mamkwe
Limi Mbita
Hosiana Mmbaga
Lea Mrisho
Elizabeth Slater